GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5530
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. CALCUTTA METRO SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the companies provide lift, escalators to Calcutta Metro system have been found defective;

(b) if so, the penalty clauses which the Railway had applied to the suppliers;

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted to provide sub-standard equipment for the overall operation of Metro Transport System in Calcutta; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIST RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) No, Sir. The lifts and escalators supplied by M/s OTIS Elevator Companry (India) Limited and M/s KONE Elevator (India) Limite have been working satisfactorily in Calcutta Metro System.However, there have been some minor incidences of defects in escalators not attributable to sub-standard quality of equipment supplied by the firms.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. The inquiry / investigations conducted for the defects noted in the escalators revealed that the defects had not developed due to the use of sub-standard equipments supplied by the firms, but were on account of water seepage, mal-operation or misuse.